Approach with Openness

“The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in seeing with new eyes,” - Marcel Proust. An invitation to approach with openness promotes spacious thinking for the emergence of new concepts, thoughts or ideas. It is an ability to accommodate and welcome otherness.

This Spiritual Capability may involve:

- Managing surprises
- Thinking of another way or alternatives
- Trusting other’s contributions as valuable
- Seeing from another perspective or possibility from outside your own comfort zone
- Being empathetic
- Looking for the particularity or uniqueness in another’s story or journey
- Realising and welcoming the possibility for growth and change.

Examples of educators promoting this capability could be when they:

- Invite dialogue
- Provide times for silence and for listening
- Demonstrate respect for openness to diversity
- Provide opportunities for encountering and embracing the ‘other’
- Encourage wondering about one’s own and other people’s perspectives.